

Police narrow search for boy

By Eric Davis
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

After two days of searching for 15-year-old Kolton Range, police are focusing their search on a specific area of Tuttle Creek Lake, according to a Riley County Police Department report.

Divers, cadaver dogs, a fixed-wing plane and a helicopter with radar capabilities have been called in to aid the RCPD in its search.

Police abandoned the search of the shoreline after several dogs indicated Range is under the surface of the water near the area where he fell in.

RCPD Lt. Kurt Moldrup said while they cannot be certain, police do believe hypothermia set in, which led to the boy's death.

Police responded to the scene Saturday after Range reportedly fell into the water near the Blue River Hills area, according to a RCPD report.

The search was called off Monday morning after weather conditions made the search too difficult. A mid-morning meeting between divers and search and rescue was held to determine when and if the search could resume Monday.

RCPD has no further details about the investigation.

Women leave children to visit the bars

By Eric Davis
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Two women were arrested early Sunday morning after they left five children they were caring for to go to Aggieville, according to a Riley County Police Department report.

Sarah Bolden and Jennifer Harding were arrested after the mother of three of the children went to pick them up and found them alone.

According to the report, one of the children suffered a minor injury in the women's absence.

Police were called, and after investigation, located the women in Aggieville and arrested them.

Both were held on \$1,000 bond.

'Trunk' show



Photos by Lisle Alderton | COLLEGIAN

A. Wayne Potter, tenor, plays the part of Kent Clack. During this scene, Clack pretends to be poisoned after drinking some old coffee while singing "A Double Dose of Poison" from "Cosi fan Tutte," composed by Mozart.



ABOVE: Kent Clack, played by tenor **A. Wayne Potter**, makes a delayed entrance as he carries an armful of the troupe's luggage from the top of the aisle to the train station.

LEFT: Tamara Tetrzinni, played by soprano **Care Seltmann**, captivates her troupe with the song "What a Curse for a Woman" from "The Old Maid and the Thief" by Gian Carlo Menotti.

Locals compose, present original comedic opera

By Camille Carter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Despite describing himself as "old, tired, and pooped," Lee Snook presented an entertaining original opera with other local performers Monday night.

The comedic opera "Opera in a Trunk" boasted a cast of three men and three women, all seasoned singers - some of them with master's degrees - as well as a piano player.

Monday night's performance was the third and final presentation of the show. The concept of "Opera in a Trunk" was created by Snook, and based on the concept that a whole opera could be performed out of a trunk.

Helen Von Demfange, an audience member from Topeka, said she enjoyed the show. Von Demfange, a friend of many of the cast members, drove to Manhattan to see her friends light up the stage. With witty retorts, serious themes and bold vocals, the cast did just that.

The cast has been practicing since March but intensified rehearsals in August, when Amy Rosine, assistant professor of voice, was cast to play the part of Desirée Denton, a showy opera singer rarely caught without a cigarette. Rosine teaches applied voice, vocal techniques and is also the vocal coach for the K-State Players.

Rosine said she thought the performance was fun and went well. Wayne Potter, who played Kent Clark, a quiet, romantic tenor infatuated with Tamara Tetrzinni, a self-proclaimed diva played by Care Seltman, said what helped them the most in rehearsals was recording their voices and dialogue. They would then listen to the recordings and use them to improve their performance. Potter said Snook, his voice teacher and opera author, came up with the idea.

Snook also performed in the play as Pierpont Lafollete III, a witty bass singer. The story took place in a train station, where an opera troupe of six people became stranded when a blizzard snowed them in. Romance and music abounded as the group practiced their arias and revealed their true feelings for one another.

At the end of Act One, six individual artists turned into three couples, deep in the midst of budding love and new feelings.

Act Two took a solemn turn when Jeorgette Jinx, played by Grace Morrison, turns up dead after a fight with Rosine's character. The singers all begin to blame each other, and the story dramatically twists when Jinx announces in a lovely soprano that she is in fact alive and only faked her death to prove her talent.

The plot is intensified by the range and quality of the cast's voice and talent, performed by talented local performers.

Student development vice president dies

By Tyler Sharp
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A campus leader in student development died Thursday.

Reginland "Reggie" McGowan died Thursday at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan. He was 49.

The cause of death was unknown at press time.

McGowan was the assistant vice president of educational and personal development programs.

He is sur-



MCGOWAN

vived by his wife, Juanita McGowan, assistant dean of diversity for the College of Arts and Sciences and associate professor and director of American ethnic studies, as well as his parents.

In his 27 years at K-State, McGowan served in a variety of roles. McGowan began his time as a research assistant in the animal science department and later joined the Upward Bound program in 1984. He became its K-State director in 1988.

According to its Web site, Upward Bound is a federally funded program designed to provide students with academic and personal support to assist them in preparing for college.

The Feb. 21, 1991, issue of InView, a faculty newsletter, noted that Upward Bound had a 99.5-percent success rate at keeping "high risk" students in school.

McGowan was awarded the 1993 Conoco Presidential Award for Distinguished Services to Minority Education.

McGowan also served as director of the Educational Opportunity Programs, known as TRIO, and co-director of the First Tee Life Skills and Leadership Academy.

He also had served as the K-State adviser for Alpha Phi Alpha, Phi Beta Sigma and Black Student Union.

Candice Hironaka, associate director of the School of Leadership Studies, said McGowan was instrumental in bringing First Tee to Manhattan in 2000.

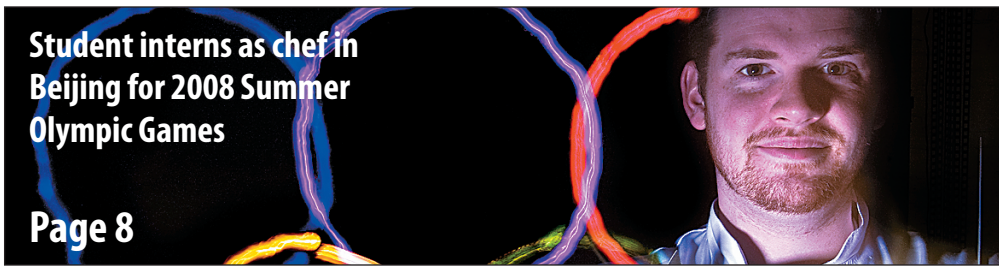
David Griffin, associate professor of secondary education and assistant dean of diversity, said McGowan was a mentor to many, including him.

"He was student-centered and an advocate of upward mobility," Griffin said. "Helping people was not a job to him, it was a joy." Griffin said McGowan will be greatly missed.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Jackson, Miss., at the Anderson United Methodist Church.



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THE BLOTTER | ARRESTS IN RILEY COUNTY

FRIDAY
Mounir Mollak, 1429 W. Laramie St., was arrested at 6:40 a.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license. Bond was set at \$1,500.
Pablo Efrain Loyola, 824 Fremont St., was arrested at 9:25 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$485.
Rhonda Renee Hinkson, 2719 Circle Road, was arrested at 12:15 p.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$3,000.

SATURDAY
Katy Erin Riley, 601 Fairchild Terrace, was arrested at 12:30 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.
Jase William Hartenbower, Clay Center, Kan., was arrested at 1:32 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.
Marcel Donita Williams, 921 Moro St., Apt. B, was arrested at 1:49 a.m. for unlawful acts relating to sale or distribution of depressants, stimulants or hallucinogenic drugs or other substances within 1,000 feet of school property and no drug tax stamp. Bond was set at \$5,000.
James Ryan Krieger, Omaha, Neb., was arrested at 4:38 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.
Ramsey Scott Tatrot, Kansas City, Mo., was arrested at 6 p.m. for battery. Bond was set at \$750.

Larry Dale Rasmussen, Waterloo, Neb., was arrested at 6:22 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.
Charles Wayne McDaniel, Riley, Kan., was arrested at 8:10 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.
Jessica Lynn Pageler, 1508 Humboldt St., was arrested at 8:13 p.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license. Bond was set at \$1,500.
Aaron Wayne Todd, 3502 S. Bear Creek Road, was arrested at 10:11 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.
Kevin Lee Matthews, 2500 Farm Bureau Road, Lot 16, was arrested at 11:12 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.

SUNDAY
Sarah Dawn Bolden, 2159 Prairie Glen Place, was arrested at 1 a.m. for endangering a child. Bond was set at \$1,000.
Jennifer Diane Harding, 2159 Prairie Glen Place, was arrested at 1 a.m. for endangering a child. Bond was set at \$1,000.
Ruth Marie Beisel, St. George, Kan., was arrested at 1:10 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.
Ben David Ritchie Hicks, 610 Osage St., was arrested at 1:19 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.

John Raymond Dinneen, Lincoln, Neb., was arrested at 1:41 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.
Andrew William Rehmann, Lincoln, Neb., was arrested at 1:41 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.
Seth Michael Taute, Lincoln, Neb., was arrested at 1:41 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.
Japheth Saul Alcon, 1524 Hillcrest Drive, was arrested at 2 a.m. for obstruction of the legal process. Bond was set at \$750.
Ryan Sterling Hahn, Goddard, Kan., was arrested at 2 a.m. for purchase or consumption of alcohol by a minor, driving under the influence and transportation of open liquor containers. Bond was set at \$750.
Joseph Boyd Barrett, Fort Riley, was arrested at 2 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.
Ryan James Flagler, Kansas City, Mo., was arrested at 3:27 a.m. for criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$750.
Jeremiah Martin, Topeka, was arrested at 12:55 p.m. for probation violation. Bond was set at \$5,000.
Elizabeth Jane Jones, Alma, Kan., was arrested at 1:39 p.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license and driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,000.
Michael Ray Watt, 1704 Fair Lane, No. 23, was arrested at 7:20 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,000.

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Recreational Services is sponsoring a coat drive today through Friday as a National Recycling Day service project. If you have an extra coat or one that no longer fits or meets your needs, please drop it off in the designated box in the lobby at Peters Recreation Complex. All donated coats will be delivered to the Flint Hills Breadbasket for distribution to those in need. For more information, call 785-532-6980.

the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Daba Gedafa at 11 a.m. today in Fiedler 2116.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Cris Ugolini at 1 p.m. today in Cardwell 119.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Nikki Currie at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Blumont 368.

The Student Organization for Cultural Studies Student Film Festival will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in K-State Student Union 212. Admission is free. Entries in the "polished film" and "24-hour challenge" categories will be shown.

The influenza vaccine is available at Lafene Health Center. Flu vaccine clinics will be open Thursday if supplies are not depleted. Please refer to Lafene's Web site, www.k-state.edu/lafene, for vaccine dates/times

and info.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Matthew James Berg at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Cardwell 119.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Amanda Meyer at 3 p.m. Friday in Hale 3014.

K-State TV will air a three-hour special presentation called "JAZZATHON" at 6 p.m. on Sunday evenings through November. "JAZZATHON" is a showcase of the area's best jazz artists featuring K-State music faculty, students and guests. The program promises a blend of jazz styles and performances.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Najwa Al Hosani at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 25 in Blumont 257.

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CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

There were errors in Monday's Collegian. The women pictured in the 'Green Carpet' photo were Jessica Otradovec, freshman in animal sciences and pre-veterinary medicine, and Lauren Harrison, freshman in fine arts. Also, "Left 4 Dead" will be released today. The Collegian regrets the errors. If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Jacque Haag at 785-532-6556 or e-mail collegian@pub.ksu.edu.

Winter Tryouts for K-State Cheer '2008/2009 Basketball Season

Sunday, November 23, 2008
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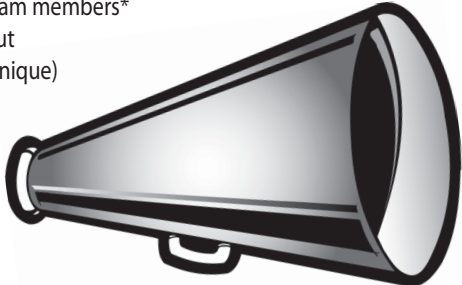
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K-State’s alert system receives changes, improvements

By Sarah Rajewski
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The system K-State uses to alert students, faculty and staff of emergencies on campus has undergone several changes. The former system, the Emergency Text Messaging System, is now called K-State Alerts and is becoming more “user friendly,” according to a recent press release.

One of the changes K-State has made

is extending the number of phone numbers per person which can receive text messages.

Previously, the number was one per person, but now it is three, said Bruce Shubert, associate vice president for administration and finance.

Shubert also said each phone can receive either voice or text messages and the text messages are no longer in “text speak,” so they are more understandable. He said users can choose to receive alerts

targeted to the Salina campus, Manhattan campus or both.

“These changes were made to broaden the reach of the alert system,” Shubert said.

In the release, Tom Rawson, vice president for administration and finance, encouraged everyone on campus to register for K-State Alerts.

To register, students can sign up through the eProfile page at www.eid.ksu.edu.

Shubert said there are many additional communication methods that are either functional or planned for near-term implementation.

Those methods include a reverse-911 telephone calling system, external sirens and speakers, classroom alert systems, the World Wide Web and police public address systems.

“We need to have multiple methods of informing the K-State community when the need arises,” Shubert said.

City to consider McCall Road, KSU Foundation construction aid

Brandon Steinert
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The KSU Foundation could receive up to \$20 million in industrial revenue bonds from the city of Manhattan to aid in the construction of a new headquarters building.

The city commission will review and vote on a resolution tonight, which will show whether they intend to grant the money. Replacement of the City Park Pavilion, the first reading of the 2009 salary ordinance and improvements to McCall Road are also items on the agenda for the city commission meeting at 7 in City Hall.

The \$20 million requested by the KSU Foundation would provide more

funds to construct a three-story, 60,000 square-foot headquarters building, according to the agenda. The building would be built in the northwest corner of the intersection at Kimball and Denison avenues. Furnishings would also be covered by the bond money.

To qualify for the bonds, the project has to meet certain criteria: job creation, capital investment and diversification of the local economy to meet an identified need in the community.

The City Park Pavilion’s destruction and replacement will also be discussed by commissioners. Donations and pledges from private companies and individuals amount to \$830,000, which increases

the funding to more than \$1.6 million.

The 2009 salary ordinance is a piece of legislation drafted each year as required by state law. The ordinance changes the pay scale of classified, unclassified and seasonal/temporary employees based on inflation, cost of living and several other factors. The ordinance, if passed as is, will increase pay by \$1,100 per year for the individuals affected.

The commission will also look at legislation to request proposals for improvements to McCall Road. A petition from property owners along McCall Road requests that it be turned into a five-lane road, with the middle lane used for left turns.

K-State to present backstage farce

By Sarah Rajewski
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Audience members will get a chance to experience life backstage in the K-State theatre department’s production of “Noises Off.”

During “Noises Off,” written by Michael Frayn, characters deal with disasters that go on during a production of a farce called “Nothing On,” according to a recent media release.

Director Charlotte MacFarland, associate professor in theatre, said the performance is “a play within a play,” because in the second act of the play, the set is turned around and the audience gets a glimpse of what can go on behind the scenes.

“In the course of the production, everything goes wrong,” MacFarland said. “It’s slamming doors and people falling down, and it’s pure, unadulterated farce.”

Marci Maullar, managing director of K-State Theatre, said the play moves quickly. She said though the backstage of

a show is somewhat exaggerated in the play, the audience does not see everything.

“We’ve got a great group of actors, and they’re putting on this amazing comedy that is just a really good time for anyone that goes to see it,” Maullar said.

The play will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday in McCain Auditorium.

MacFarland said the audience will experience something different since usually only musicals are held in McCain. She said the play fits well there with its two-story set, and the show’s physical comedy presents a big challenge for the cast.

“It’s very hard to do it right,” MacFarland said. “Everyone has to be perfectly and specifically staged.”

MacFarland said a comedy like this might be what people need amid the current economic troubles.

“This show doesn’t require anything of anybody,” she said. “Just sit back, watch and enjoy the show.”

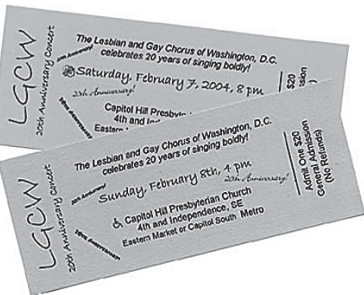
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Hey, "Extreme Makeover," come finish our parking garage.

I have the hottest AZD mom.

Look, either put a light on your house number or don't order delivered food.

My roommate pooped on a girl at a party this weekend.

So, here's the game plan. Two minutes left in the first half of the Iowa State game, we're gonna watch Ronald do the Ron Stomp.

I didn't lose my train of thought today, I lost the whole station.

Dear Megan, I'm the one who ate the cheese wheel. I'm really sorry and I hope you can forgive me.

I'm in the marching band, and I covered more yards than Josh Freeman did at the game on Saturday.

I just saw all of the spoons and forks bowing to their god by King Hall.

I broke up with my girlfriend because she smelled like mothballs. Is that bad?

What's with the Scripture on the sidewalks? If I wanted to read the Bible, I'd go to MCC.

Palin and a moose just don't seem to fit together, unless we're talking bestiality.

If you can't see an ad for condoms in the paper without flipping out, maybe you should go back to high school.

Correction: It's baby prostitute.

Is everyone at the Collegian high or something?

Is there such a thing as an eskiman-ho? Because I think I just saw one.

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ADAM PHAM

The following is a public service announcement:

Have you ever tried to park your vehicle in one of the campus parking lots and somehow had a space you rightfully deserved stolen by someone who was ignorant of our wordlessly evolved protocol? Have you ever wondered exactly what the rules are? Here are some helpful tips:

■ When you arrive at a fully occupied lot, protocol dictates that you select one row in which to wait, one with at least one unoccupied entrance. If no such row exists, the parking lot can be effectively considered closed. Find another lot, or just continue floating around this one like a transient. Your choice.

■ If vehicles already are parked at the end of both rows, there is no acceptable reason to enter it. No reconnaissance missions, either, even if the drivers of both vehicles had somehow both neglected an open spot, you are certainly not entitled to it.

■ Once you have settled in the right lane at the entrance of one row, you are queued in that row. If there was already another vehicle waiting at the opposite end, you are queued second, and if not, you are queued first and are thereby entitled to the first space that becomes available in that row.

■ If you leave the row after having been queued to pursue a newly opened space in a different row, you forfeit your place in the queue.

■ One's temporary proximity to a given space has no bearing on entitlement, and if, for instance, you are queued second in a row and a space five feet in front of you becomes available, it is your obligation to allow the other vehicle to park. Furthermore, if that vehicle is not signaling or otherwise indicating its intention to park – which should always be done in such situations to avoid unnecessary confusion – it is also your obligation to extend your hand out the window and invite them to park. If they then respond to this gesture by inviting you to park, then they have acknowledged the protocol and are for whatever reason giving you precedence, anyway. In this case, the space is yours.

■ Friends don't let friends cut in the queue. The fact that the person leaving happened to be that guy whose stoichiometric equations you always ripped off freshman year endows neither of you with the right to make some kind of transaction that sidesteps the protocol. A sufficiently angry and observant person will not forget either of your license plate numbers.

■ Obviously, during full occupancy, even if one is temporarily granted through some double coincidence of luck the ability to "pull through," this maneuver is strictly forbidden.

■ No one is entitled to park and wait for spaces that lie off of the main thoroughfares of the lot; these spots are wild cards. If one should happen to open up during a period of full occupancy, the vehicles that at the time happen to be traveling on said thoroughfare

– not vehicles already waiting in a nearby lane – have first rights to it. Otherwise, the lots would frequently be subject to all kinds of ill-advised "Dukes-of-Hazzard"-style maneuvers.

■ If someone elects not to follow these procedures, do not overreact. If one space has opened, another is likely to follow. This also gives you an opportunity to pen an especially eloquent missive reminding the driver of their civic obligations that you can then place on their windshield. Write legibly.

This has been a public service announcement, made possible in part by a special grant from some jerk in a dilapidated blue pickup Friday morning.

Adam Pham is a senior in music, philosophy and economics. Please send comments to opinion@pub.ksu.edu.



Molly Miller | COLLEGIAN

Nebraska law could result in more child abandonment



JIM BANKS

Recently, Nebraska made national headlines with its decision to change its Safe Haven law, which allows parents to leave their unwanted children at hospitals anonymously and not be prosecuted.

It was designed for infants, but none of the children that have been left so far fit that description – all but six have been more than 10 years old.

Nebraska plans to change the language of this law so it is exclusively for infants. In the mean-

time, the state is worried it will be subject to a rush of people looking to abandon children before it's "too late."

I'm not sure if it's that a state needs a law that allows parents to abandon their children anonymously or if it's that people are dropping off preteens and teenagers, but I find this to be very disconcerting.

I suppose I should count myself lucky that my mother did not decide to drop me off at a Nebraska hospital. I could just as easily have left my life of comfort in my small Kansas town of Miltonvale and been taken to Nebraska to finish out the rest of my adolescence to do whatever it is people in Nebraska do.

Now that I think about it, we should all thank our parents for not leaving us in Nebraska when things got tough. I know that it would have been easy, parents. One day you could

have just told us that you "want to go for a ride," but you didn't.

All those awkward adolescent years you oversaw, all the arguments that occurred and the punishments and the hardships could have been traded for peace and solitude in the comfort of your home after leaving us to the will of the Cornhusker State – but you didn't. Thank you for that.

Considering my family's close proximity to Nebraska, I'm sure that, at times, it might have seemed like an easy decision to drive me there – especially after I got caught sneaking into my bedroom at four in the morning all those times when I was in high school, or that time I thought I was an excellent swimmer and did a headfirst dive into the bathtub. I'm sure you were frustrated.

Thanks for putting up with me and not taking

me to Nebraska. I owe you one.

So when the Nebraska Safe Haven law changes, it is very likely we will see a rush of children left at safe havens. Be glad you're not

one of these children – go thank your parents.

Jim Banks is a senior in mass communications. Please send comments to opinion@pub.ksu.edu.



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TO THE POINT

Instructors, professors should give students 'no class' warnings

TO THE POINT is an editorial selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian's official opinion.

Though Thanksgiving break does not officially start until next Wednesday, many students will already be on a mental vacation starting Monday or even Friday. Faculty members might even be dreading low class attendance and a lack of participation.

For those faculty members who are considering canceling classes on Monday and Tuesday, all we ask is that you let students know early. Don't wait to send an e-mail or post

an alert on K-State Online the day before class, but instead, announce it in class today or tomorrow, so students who need to plan around either having or not having class can have plenty of time to do so.

For out-of-state students, booking flights and coordinating carpools take time and planning. If they could know by Wednesday that they won't be having classes next Tuesday, they might be able to focus on schoolwork and class this week, rather than whether they will have to miss class and make up assignments for next week. Even for those students who live nearby but are in des-

perate need of a break from the demands of college life, it would be considerate to not schedule a test or make a paper due for either day of class next week. Most students won't mind missing out on a few participation points, but they would appreciate not losing significant points for leaving town a day or two early to be with their families.

Professors and other faculty members have every right to have class next Monday and Tuesday, but if they could inform students early this week of whether or not they are expected to be in class next week, it would be appreciated.

MyFace obsession



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University study shows personal Web pages can lead to inflated egos, self-images

By Kellen Whaley
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

"I love chai lattes, myself, sunrises, myself, the color yellow, myself, driving, myself, painting, myself, jogging, myself, hugs, myself, sales racks, myself, sappy movies, myself ..."

The Internet has provided members of a younger generation an outlet through which to express themselves and tell the world who they are. To be "single" or "in a relationship," writing on someone else's profile, being accepted as Dane Cook's friend – these are all ways in which members of Generation Me define themselves.

However, there seems to be a trend of growing egos and self-absorption stemming from this surge of online activity.

Researchers at the University of Georgia conducted a study to test if social networking sites like *Facebook.com* and *MySpace* increased levels of narcissism, according to a Sept. 22 press release from the university's news service.

As part of the study, researchers asked 130 Facebook users to fill out personality questionnaires and analyze the

content of their profiles.

A second group of untrained observers then analyzed the same profiles and determined how narcissistic the profiles' owners were.

According to the press release, the research showed the more friends and wall posts a person had correlated with increased narcissism, the trait of excessive self-love or self-worship.

In the release, Laura Buffardi, graduate student in psychology at Georgia and leader of the study, said this is similar to how narcissists act in the real world, forming numerous, shallow relationships with others.

Narcissistic personal Web page users also tend to use flashier, more self-promoting profile pictures, the study said.

Don Saucier, assistant professor in psychology, said he thinks these Web sites do have the power to create narcissism.

"It appears these sites are a way to quantify your social standing," he said. "Someone can have thousands of friends, but they don't provide social support. Friends for the sake of having friends is a way to seemingly feel good about yourself and is a lazy way to make

yourself feel popular."

But even while research found that having several friends and copious wall posts reflects on the egotistical nature some users have, the question of how these things increase narcissism arises.

"There's a point when the people with so many friends turn people down who want their friendship, as if to say, 'You're not good enough to be in my social circle. Look how many friends I have. You can't be one of them,' and that makes them feel good," Saucier said.

Narcissistic trends have been on the rise in recent years and Saucier said this has to do with unconditional positive regard, or receiving positive feedback regardless of if it is deserved.

"It's like when everyone who participates gets a trophy – there's no distinction between first and last place," he said. "Because people haven't had to do anything to earn the positive feedback, they feel better about themselves."

"Good results are expected no matter what is done and when those results aren't seen, negative feelings emerge and those people feel insulted."

Michael Fee, sophomore in advertising, said he thinks narcissism and self-confidence have a significant connec-

tion, though not a necessary one.

"There's a way to be narcissistic but not confident," Fee said. "To have confidence, other people have to feel the same way, because I can look at myself in the mirror and think I look good, but then I'd go out and wonder if other people think the same way I do."

Fee also said he believes having high self-involvement can come from social interactions.

"Narcissism is spurred from social ties," he said. "If your parents or friends think very highly of themselves, you're more likely to carry that trait as well."

Whether or not social-networking sites cause narcissism, Saucier said the future of this trend is unclear.

"In 10 years, all of this stuff might fall by the wayside as a fad," Saucier said. "It may be a symptom more than the cause, so the real question is, 'Are these sites really creating narcissism or just allowing it to continue?'"



To read more about the study done on Facebook narcissism by researchers at the University of Georgia, check out our Web site.

TECH NEWS

COMPANIES RECALL 100,000 LAPTOP BATTERIES

Computer makers are recalling 100,000 laptop battery packs made by Sony Corp. after 40 reports of overheating, according to a U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission notice Thursday.

The voluntary recall applies to certain Sony 2.15Ah lithium-ion cell batteries made in Japan and sold around the world in laptops made by Hewlett-Packard Co., Dell Inc. and Toshiba Corp.

Some incidents involved smoke or flames, according to Sony. Twenty-one of the reports claimed minor property damage and small burns were reported in four cases.

Sony blamed two factors for the defects: adjustments on its manufacturing line from October 2004 to June 2005, which may have affected the quality of cells in certain production lots, and a possible flaw in the metal foil for electrodes.

The company said no reports have been filed for batteries made after 2006, and noted that the recalled units are a small fraction of the more than 260 million it has shipped over six years.

— [cnn.com](#)

VIDEO VIEWERS UP 27 PERCENT FROM 2007

Some 76 percent of consumers watch videos on their PC, according to a new international study from IBM.

That's up 27 percent from last year, according to IBM's second-annual survey of consumers in Australia, Germany, India, Japan, the UK and the U.S. The study is especially notable because much of the research on video viewing trends is restricted to a single country, usually the U.S.

Besides online video on personal computers, IBM also found more consumers are accessing mobile video, with 32 percent responding that they have viewed video on a portable device or a mobile phone, up 45



percent from last year. But meanwhile, the recession threatens to wipe out mobile video's miniscule market share and revenue, Broadcasting & Cable reported Monday.

According to IBM, more than half of online video watchers say they watch less television as a result, with 36 percent watching "significantly less." There's a pessimistic study out about ad revenue for TV, too. eMarketer says that between the shaky economy and the growth of online video, U.S. ad spending will decrease 4.2 percent next year to \$66.9 billion.

There's also some bad news for iTunes. More than 70 percent of IBM's respondents said they prefer to watch ads alongside their content rather than pay for it. That's especially true in Japan, where 80 percent of respondents prefer ads. Hulu CEO Jason Kilar used dollar figures to illustrate the same point at the NewTeeVee Live conference last week; he said that the U.S. market for ad-supported premium video is worth \$80 billion, whereas DVD sales and other transactions are worth \$20 billion in the U.S.

Contrary to common assumptions about online video advertising, IBM's study found that pre-roll and post-roll ads are more popular than mid-roll interruptions and product placement. As for how the recession will affect spending on web video ad prices, TV Week has a report out saying that while it will be harder than other categories, prices are still expected to drop 10-15 percent in the next few quarters.

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Windy City escape

Women earn win at Northwestern in hard-fought closing minutes

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Entering the Wildcats' second consecutive road match of the season, senior guard Shalee Lehning was already in the top-10 in several career categories at K-State.

With 3:50 left in the second half and K-State trailing 44-50, Lehning dished to fellow senior Marlies Gipson for a layup. The assist was her seventh of the night, tying her with Megan Mahoney as the all-time assist leader in school history.

The two-point basket by Gipson was part of K-State's game-ending 12-2 run that propelled the Wildcats past Northwestern, 57-52.

Neither team seemed to have an advantage in the first half, which featured a total of seven lead changes. Northwestern jumped out to a 21-13 lead midway through the half, but a 12-5 run by K-State cut the deficit to one point at the halftime buzzer.

Northwestern opened the second half with a 7-0 run to extend its lead to 32-25, but K-State responded with a 10-2 run to briefly take a one-point lead with just under 13 minutes to play in the game. A three-pointer by Erin Dickerson nearly two minutes later reclaimed the lead for the Northwestern Wildcats – which they wouldn't relinquish until a Lehning three-pointer put K-State up 51-50 with just under two minutes remaining. A series of late free throws by Gipson solidified the win as K-State improved to 2-0 on the season.

Northwestern's Amy Jaeschke and K-State's Ashley Sweat led all scorers with 19 points apiece. Jaeschke, a senior center, also contributed nine rebounds while Sweat, a junior forward, tallied seven. Four other scorers registered double-figures on the night. Gipson and Lehning had solid outings for K-State, as they recorded 18 and 12 points, respectively, while Northwestern's Meshia Reed and Kristin Cartwright added 14 and 11. Northwestern won the battle of the boards as they out-rebounded K-State 28-25.

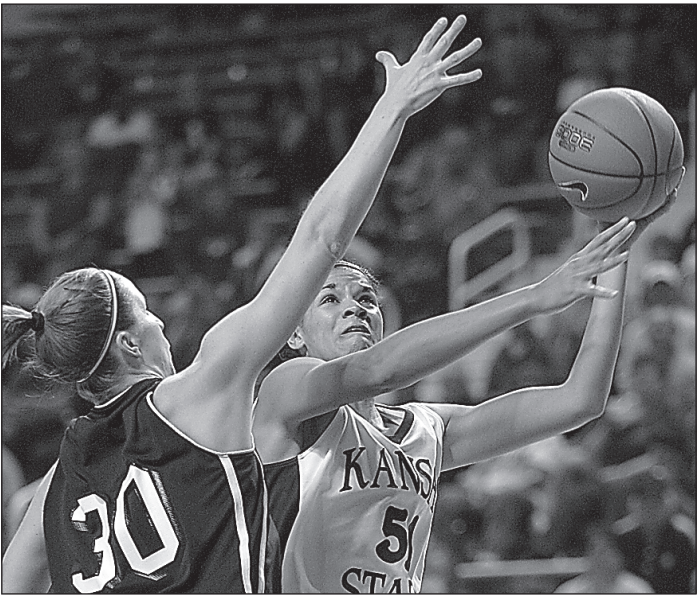
K-State will return to action when it takes on the University of Texas at San Antonio on Sunday in Bramlage Coliseum. Tipoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. Members of the 2007-08 Big 12 Conference Championship team will receive their rings in a pregame ceremony.



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Senior guard **Shalee Lehning** drives to the basket during the Wildcats' first exhibition game of the season against Washburn University. Lehning tied the K-State record for the most career assists during the team's win Monday night against Northwestern.

Senior forward **Marlies Gipson** attempts a shot against a Washburn defender during the exhibition game Nov. 2. Gipson scored 18 points during the Wildcats' 57-52 victory Monday night.



To see everything related to K-State sports, check out our Web site.
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K-STATE SPORTS NEWS

K-STATE UNVEILS "THE SHALEE ELEMENT"

The K-State women's basketball program has unveiled a Web site called "The Shalee Element" to aid in the campaign for senior guard and Wooden Award candidate Shalee Lehning. The web-site can be accessed by visiting www.shaleelement.com or by clicking on the banner ad at www.kstatesports.com.



SHALEE LEHNING

The Web site, designed by Dave Smoller, Kansas State's creative director for internet services, is based on the number of elements Lehning affects in a game. The layout is based on the periodic table of elements and includes video highlights, quotes from women's basketball writers, broadcasters and opposing coaches, facts and figures about Lehning's career and the latest news on Lehning's performances.

Lehning opened her final season at Kansas State with her 14th career double-double at UTEP with 11 points, 11 assists, seven rebounds and four steals as the Wildcats defeated the Miners, 65-44.

Lehning, a 2008-09 Wooden Award preseason candidate and a 2008-09 All-Big 12 preseason first team selection, tied Megan Mahoney (2001-05; 589) for the school record for career assists during the game against Northwestern.

Following a 2008 season which saw Lehning average 11.3 points per game, 7.6 rebounds and 6.3 assists, she was recognized by a number of media outlets for her efforts. Awards won by Lehning included: WBCA Region V All-America finalist, Kansas City Star co-Player of the Year and All-Big 12 first team and the Waco Tribune All-Big 12 second team.

BANKS NAMED BIG 12 PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Kansas State wide receiver/kick returner Brandon Banks has been named the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week after his performance against Nebraska, the league office has announced.

The honor marked the fourth time this season that a Wildcat has earned weekly honors from the Big 12 as Josh Freeman (offense), Courtney Herndon (defense) and Brooks Rossman (special teams) each garnered the award earlier this season.



BRANDON BANKS

Banks, a Big 12 Newcomer of the Year candidate, returned four kick-offs for 167 yards against Nebraska, including a 98-yarder for a touchdown in the fourth quarter. The return tied for the second-longest in the Big 12 this season and tied for the longest in league games.

The junior leads the Wildcats in receiving with 60 catches for 933 yards and eight touchdowns. Banks needs 67 more receiving yards to become the sixth receiver in school history to reach 1,000 yards in a season.

— K-State Sports Information

FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

Freeman injured; Wildcats to play for pride Saturday



JOSH FREEMAN

FREEMAN INJURED?

K-State quarterback Josh Freeman apparently left Saturday's game against Nebraska midway through the third quarter because of an injury. Freeman finished the game 7-18 for 114 yards and was sacked a season-high four times.

"We are going to take a look at him here in the next day or two," coach Ron Prince said. "He probably will not practice or be limited

on Tuesday. I anticipate him practicing on Wednesday, with some limitations perhaps, but I expect him to play in the game."

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

K-State will be home for Christmas once again. With Saturday's loss, the Wildcats were eliminated from bowl eligibility. It is the fourth time in five seasons the Wildcats have not qualified for a bowl because of failing to win at least six games. Their only bowl appearance since the Fiesta Bowl in 2003 was the 37-10 loss to Rutgers in the Texas Bowl in Prince's first season at K-State in 2006.

If the Wildcats had won six games, they would likely have traveled to Shreveport, La., for the Independence Bowl.

MESSAGE TO THE TEAM

Prince said he would talk to his players who are concerned about their future at K-State at the end of the season.

He said it ultimately is a business decision.

"I'll try to explain to them that the reality is that I recruited you to come to Kansas State and all of the benefits of this program," Prince said. "Where it's going academically, get your degree from here, and all of those types of things – that is what's important."

"These are emotional decisions that you need to step away from and see who [administrators] hire and give the guy a chance to fit into his system and understand his philosophies. No one wants to see Kansas State [be] successful more than I do."

PRIDE ON THE LINE

The loser of Saturday's game will finish in last place in the Big 12 Conference. Every team in the Big 12 South has at least two wins in conference play. Iowa State (2-9, 0-7) and K-State (4-7, 1-6) will battle for pride in a 2:35 p.m. kickoff. Twenty-three seniors will be honored prior to kickoff as they play one last time in Snyder Family Stadium.

— Compiled by Cole Manbeck

Insider trading hurts public image of billionaire Mavericks owner Cuban



OWEN KENNEDY

Does anyone remember when Martha Stewart went to jail?

She was charged with securities fraud and obstruction of justice, as well as seven other crimes. She finished her sentence in 2005, and since then I've never understood exactly what she did wrong.

I would have continued down the blissful road of ignorance had I not watched ESPN's "SportsCenter" Monday afternoon.

Mark Cuban, owner of the NBA's Dallas Mavericks, made himself a billionaire with "dot-com" stocks. But Cuban might have reached too far to increase his wealth.

The Securities and Exchange Commission filed a civil suit against Cuban on Monday, charging that he was involved in "insider trading." I was unsure what this term meant after Stewart's indictment, but it seems I just needed a sports reference to understand.

Cuban is accused of using

information he withheld from the public about *Mamma.com* Inc., according to *ESPN.com*.

Cuban's wrongdoing was that he told his broker to sell all shares of the company, a search engine, after receiving an inside tip. By selling, Cuban avoided a \$750,000 loss, but by using information that was not public to make that decision, he broke the law, according to the Web site.

He has no more of a right to the data he saw than any other shareholder, but he still tried to withhold it – enter the SEC. The quasi-independent federal agency seeks to confiscate the gains Cuban made and impose financial penalties.

A Dallas district attorney will decide whether to file criminal charges against Cuban. While this is only a civil charge, Stewart went to jail for avoiding a loss of less than \$50,000, but Cuban's prison prospects are minute.

The billionaire plans to appeal the charges and has denied any wrongdoing. MSNBC News reported Monday that Stewart's situation was different than Cuban's and that was why he faced only fines, though the detail of the investigation are still forthcoming.

Cuban has been a fan favorite because of his loud personality and his all-too-willing desire to speak – and yell – his mind. He risks

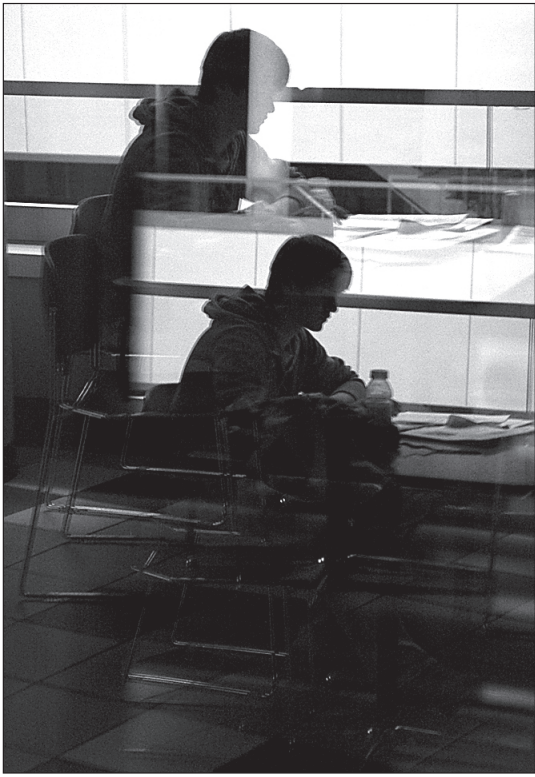
alienating fans and supporters by stepping over the little guy: the shareholders. Most fans aren't wealthy beyond their dreams like Cuban, and for the first time, his financial comfort might sour fans.

I liked Cuban at first, but he makes it very easy to get tired of him. I like to see an owner get involved, but I prefer to read headlines about the players day to day. Perhaps this legal hiccup will remove Cuban from the highlights for a few weeks.

Owen Kennedy is a senior in business management. Please send comments to sports@spub.ksu.edu.

The reflection of **Brian Brulez**, junior in marketing, bounces off the darkened walls of the KSDB-FM 91.9 studio in the K-State Student Union as he studies for a test by the sunlight from the Union's skylight during the blackout across campus Monday. Power was lost to most of the K-State campus today about 1 p.m. when two squirrels got into a Westar Energy transformer near campus. Power was restored about 4:30 p.m.

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Students in Cardwell Hall scurry through the dark hallway at 1:30 p.m., guided by dim emergency lights spread throughout the hallway. The power remained out for three more hours.

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STUDENT LEADER

Senior works as chef at 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing

By Rebecca Bush
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

For 16 days this August, the eyes of the world were focused on Beijing and the 2008 Summer Olympic Games. One K-State student's devotion to the festivities made him a week late to class, but with the stories he had to tell, none of his professors minded.

Stewart Lane, senior in hotel and restaurant management, spent a month in China working as a chef at the USA House, which provided food to Olympic athletes and their coaches, trainers and family members, as well as to members of the U.S. Olympic team delegation.

Though cooking for the U.S. Olympic team is hardly a standard college internship, the work itself came naturally to the Kansas City, Mo., native.

"I've been in the food world my entire life," Lane said.

Lane's parents started their catering business when he was 5 years old, and he has traveled with them to many trade shows sponsored by the International Caterers Association. It was at one of those shows in 2004 that he met Frank Puleo, owner of New York-based Catering by Framboise, which has held the catering contract for the U.S. Olympic team for more than 10 years.

"I struck up a friendship with [Puleo] and he invited me out to the Torino Games, but the Winter Olympics are in the middle of school, so that wouldn't have worked," Lane said. "Then he was like, 'Well, what about Beijing?' I was a senior in high school, so I said, 'Sure, see you in four years.'

"Then, about half a year before [the 2008 Games], I started talking to him again about Beijing. I said, 'Hey, I'd really like to do this,' and he said, 'Sure. It's done.'"

When Lane left for the Games, he packed only his one-year tourist visa, clothes and personal knives. Once he arrived in Beijing, he and

the rest of the kitchen staff took over a four-story restaurant called Jasmine.

The kitchen staff lived in dormitories at Beijing Normal University and traveled by taxi every day to the USA House, which was next to the soccer stadium. Lane had three days off during the month and used them to watch ping-pong, shooting, men's water polo, women's wrestling and men's beach volleyball, which he called his favorite event by far.

"The match was USA vs. Germany," he said. "There were USA chants and an entire section in orange cheering for Deutschland – it was just awesome."

Though being close to many events was exciting, Lane said no one on the staff came primarily to sit around and watch the Games.

"We were told this beautiful vision of what it would be – 'You'll work four days on and have one day off, you won't work anymore than 8-10 hours a day' – but we all knew it wasn't going to be that way," he said, citing an eight-day period during which he worked 113 hours.

Staff prepared meals to athletes' specifications at the high-performance training center and family members and dignitaries were served at the USA House, where Lane spent most of his time with 10 other American workers and six Chinese chefs who worked at Jasmine and agreed to help the U.S. delegation.

Lane said the number of people served varied – "depending on how many people won gold medals" – with a high of 1,200 people being served on the day of the opening ceremonies.

The 80-90 American kitchen workers included hotel chefs from large cities like Chicago, caterers for NASCAR and PGA Tour events and culinary school students from Sullivan University in Louisville, Ky. Lane said the team worked well together, though there was some inevitable tension.

"You get egos and atti-

tudes and work long hours together, and people are bound to snap," he said.

Though the hours were long and tempers flared at times, working in USA House did have some celebrity perks, as Lane met former President George H.W. Bush, Katie Couric and Vince Vaughn, among others. He also received a USA Olympics bracelet from Michael Phelps after he teamed with kitchen staff to honor a request for chocolate milk.

"One day we didn't have any, but we knew we had to do something special for him, so we threw together some sugar, vanilla and cocoa powder and mixed it in with milk," Lane said.

"[Phelps] tried it and said, 'It's not my original, but it's all right.' He thanked us and gave one of my friends and me this bracelet," which Lane said he is trying to protect but wears occasionally as a conversation-starter.

Lane had his share of memorable experiences but said his confidence received a large boost from working under pressure in an unfamiliar culture.

"When I went over there, I was so nervous that I was going to screw this up," he said. "I was so freaked out, like 'Why am I going over there?' but when I got there, I realized I could do this and I could fall in and get things done."

"That was probably the greatest thing for me – knowing that I can be put in that stressful situation and succeed and do well in it."

Lane will graduate in December, and though he is weighing employment options, he has no reservations about his Olympic future.

"Oh, I'd love to work another Olympics," he said. "I'd love to go to Vancouver [for the 2010 Winter Olympics] and it would be awesome to go to Rio [de Janeiro, a potential site for the 2016 Games]," he said, eyes lighting up.

"I've got a line in, and they're already working on Vancouver, so I'm excited."



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